(d) th extent to which they succeeded in their mission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) and (b). The function of providing assistance to voluntary agencies has been entrusted to Council for Advancement of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART). The information about organisations and assistance given is as per below:

Year	*Number of Voluntary Organisations provided Assistance*	*Amount of Assistance Provided* (*Rs. in Lakhs*)
1988-89	8	19.33
1989-90	23	53.53
1990-91	9	30.74

(c) CAPART ensures that accounts and progress reports are submitted by the organisations. Since, some organisations are located in remote area it taken time for them to get their accounts audited and therefore there have been some delays. In case of non submission of accounts or progress reports even on the spot monitoring or projects and utilisation of funds is done by appointing an outside monitor out of panel of monitors or by deputing CAPART Officer.

(d) The voluntary organisations based in Hawrah district of West Bengal by and large succeeded well in implementing the programme and no serious irregularities have been found on the basis of monitoring reports, progress reports and accounts.

[*Translation*]

Criteria for Setting up of Food Processing Industries

1064. SHRI GOVINDRAO NIKAM: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted by the Government for the setting up food processing industries in the States; and

(b) the names of the places where food processing industries are proposed to be set up by the end of Eighth Five Year Plan, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) As per the new industrial policy announced on 24th July, 1991 no industrial licence is required for setting up food processing industry except for industries for been and potable alcohol and for those projects which do not satisfy the locational parameters or the proposed item of manufacture is reserved for the small scale sector/public sector. For setting up of Food Processing Industries therefore a memorandum is required to be filled with the Deptt. of Industrial Development in this regard, as per the press notes issued by the said Department. Automatic approval for foreign collaboration agreements are also given for investment in industries included in Annexure III of the Press Note No. 10 issued by S.T.A.

(b) The identification of specific locations are not made in the preparation of the 8th Five Year proposals. The State Govts. are to formulate location specific projects for assistance under the various plan schemes.

[*English*]

Food Processing Industries in Maharashtra

1065. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals received by the Union Government for the setting up of new food processing industries in Maharashtra during 1991-92; and

(b) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). As per information available with this Ministry, 26 applications have been received for setting up food processing industries in Maharashtra. While the applications for Industries requiring industrial licence and/or foreign collaboration approval under the New Industrial Policy are being examined, others applicants are to take action as per simplified procedure under the policy. One proposal of Integrated Post Harvest Crop Management Project for Grapes received from Government of Maharashtra for financial assistance from the Central Government is under consideration.

Special quota of Pamolein and Other Essential Commodities to Maharshtra

1066. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have allotted any special quota of pamolein and other essential commodities to Maharashtra for Ganesh festival;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDING AHMED): (a) to (c). The position is as follows:-

Foodgrains: No special allocation of foodgrains for Ganesh festival has been made.

Levy Sugar: A quantity of 5014 tonnes during August, 1991 and a quantity of 4000 tonnes alongwith October, 1991 allocation has been released to Maharashtra, as festival quota.

Palmolein: Regular allocations of edible oil under PDS were not made to the States/UTs., including Maharashtra, for the period from April, 1991 to September, 1991, as there was no import of edible oils. In view of this, it was not possible to make any special allocations of edible oil for Ganesh festival.

Retrenchment of workers in Mining and Allied Machineries Corporation Ltd., Durgapur.

1067. SHRI PRAKASH V. PATIL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to retrench 1700 workers of Mining and Allied machineries Corporation Ltd. at Durgapur;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government have any scheme to improve the situation at the factory; and